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# WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY WELCOME

**Do Now:**

**Please discuss your answers to these questions with someone sitting near you!**

- ☐ 1. Why are you here today and what do you hope to learn?
- ☐ 2. What are two qualities of great teachers?

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# Introductions:

## Your Academic Support Team

Office of the Dean of the College of Education:

Dr. Amy Ginsberg, Dean

Dr. David Fuentes, Associate Dean

Office of Education Enrollment and Certification

Liana Fornarotto

- Director, Education Enrollment and Certification
- WP Alumni, Master of Education in Professional Counseling

Academic Advisor/Retention Specialist

Career Services

What certification are you pursuing? What do you hope to learn today?

# Programs Offered

- Teacher Preparation
- Non-Teaching Programs
  - (Disability Studies)



# Disability Studies Major and Minor

- The program explores the **nature and meaning** of disability as a **social construct** instead of a medical deficit, and will **examine laws, policies, culture and history as a way to de-stigmatize disease, illness, and impairment across all areas of society.**
- It is designed to meet the growing **demand** across **all** industries for professionals who understand the needs of those with disabilities.
- An academic program in Disability Studies may be of specific interest to students who seek to have careers or continued graduate education in the areas of **Law, Medicine, Nursing, Public Health, Public Policy, Government, Law Enforcement, Education, Mental Health Counseling, or Social Work.**
- Individuals with disabilities are the largest minority group in the United States.
- Interdisciplinary but does not lead to teaching license; major (36) minor (18)
- Dr. Pamela Brillante, Program Creator and Director [BrillanteP@wpunj.edu](mailto:BrillanteP@wpunj.edu)

# Teacher Preparation

- General Requirements for Teacher Preparation
- Options for Teacher Certifications
- The Benefits of Teaching

# The Benefits of Teaching

Salary

Schedule

Health and Retirement Benefits

State Certification

Monies towards graduate school

Community Involvement

Opportunities for growth

IN DEMAND!



# What to expect in teacher preparation...

- P-12 field experience begins early
- A focus is on teacher professionalism and standards
- A focus on planning, teaching, assessment and reflection
- Funding opportunities
- Faculty mentorship
- Partnerships with P-12 schools
- Opportunities to pursue multiple teaching licenses

# What will I study?

- Liberal Arts or Science Major
- Teacher Preparation (education major)
- General Bachelor's Degree Requirements

# Undergraduate Education Majors for Teacher Certification

- **Early Childhood Education (P-3) NEW: Paraprofessional Program**
  - Teacher of Students with Disabilities
  - Bilingual Education
  - ESL
- **Elementary Education (K-6)**
  - Teacher of Students with Disabilities
  - Middle School Subject (5-8)
  - Bilingual Education
  - ESL
- **Secondary Education (K-12) NEW: 4+1 MAT**
  - (License to teach one subject area in grades K-12)
  - Teacher of Students with Disabilities
  - Bilingual Education\* (\*restrictions apply)
  - ESL

# New Pathways for Teacher Certification

- MAT 4+1 Secondary Education
- Paraprofessional Program for Early Childhood



# Appropriate Academic Majors Early Childhood & Elementary

- **Africana World Studies** (Humanities or Social Science Community Development)
- **Anthropology**
- **Art** (BA) (History or Studio) or **Fine Arts** (BFA)
- **Asian Studies** (East Asian or South Asian)
- **Biology**
- **Chemistry**
- **Communications** (Communication Studies, Journalism, or Media Studies Track)
- **Earth Science**
- **English** (Literature or Writing)
- **Geography**
- **History**
- **Integrated Math and Science** (tracks: biology, chemistry, environmental science, and math)
- **Latin American Studies**
- **Liberal Studies** (Humanities and Social Sciences tracks)
- **Mathematics** (BA or BS)
- **Philosophy**
- **Political Science**
- **Psychology**
- **Sociology** (General Studies)
- **Spanish**
- **Urban Science and Society**
- **Women and Gender Studies**

## Appropriate Academic Majors: Elementary with Middle School (5-8)

- Asian Studies (Japanese Language Track)
- Biology (ecology, general, physiology/behavior)
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- English (Literature or Writing)
- History
- Liberal Studies (English, history, political science, or foreign language only)
- Integrated Math and Science (tracks: biology, chemistry, environmental, and math)
- Mathematics (BA or BS)
- Political Science (Social Studies Certification)
- Spanish

## Appropriate Academic Majors: Secondary Education K-12 Subject

- Art (BA) (History, Studio) or Fine Arts (BFA)
- Asian Studies (Japanese Language Track)
- Biology (ecology, general, and physiology & behavior)
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- English (Literature or Writing)
- History (Social Studies Certification)
- Mathematics (BA or BS)
- Music Education (Classical Performance, Classical Performance Vocal, Classical Performance Instrumental, or Jazz Studies)
- Physical Education (Physical Education or Physical Education and Health)
- Spanish (bilingual endorsement is not an option)

# Taking Education

## Bachelor's Major Courses:

- Select an appropriate major/concentration
- 60 earned credits
- Pre-requisite coursework
- 3.00 GPA minimum
- Basic Skills Scores: PRAXIS CORE, ACT, or SAT
- Criminal background check & fingerprinting





# Basic Skills Assessment:

**CHOICE: PRAXIS CORE, ACT or SAT**

When? Prepare now!

- PRAXIS CORE (Reading, Writing and Math):
  - Take all three parts at once for a savings
  - Or, register to take each on different days
  - Accommodations: (disabilities and English language learners)
  - Fee waivers from ETS (with eligibility)
  - Khan Academy- free preparation  
<https://www.khanacademy.org/prep/praxis-core>

# Great Teachers Know Their Resources.

- Academic Success Center (workshops, tutoring, etc.)
- Science Enrichment Center (study groups, online resources, workshops, etc.)
- Counseling, Health, and Wellness Center  
(individual and group assistance, workshops, and more)
- Library (varied research assistance and more)
- Writing Centers (ESL resources through webpage)
- PRAXIS Lending Library
- Accessibility Resource Center
- Tutor.com





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**Office of the Dean**

**Office of Field Experience and Partnerships**

**Office of Education Enrollment and Certification**





**You are Needed!  
Career Fairs and Funding**



# Resources for Funding Such As:

## ■ TEACH Grants

Towards math, science, or foreign language certifications or those pursuing the TSD or bilingual endorsements. Must commit to working 4 years in a school district of need or must re-pay as a loan. Conditions apply.

## ■ NOYCE Grant     *Dr. Djanna Hill* [HillD@wpunj.edu](mailto:HillD@wpunj.edu)

Pursuing math or science licenses. National Science Foundation funding. Conditions apply.

## ■ Teacher Loan Forgiveness:

You must teach full-time for five complete and consecutive academic years in certain schools and educational service agencies that serve low-income families, and meet other qualifications, to be eligible for forgiveness of up to a combined total of \$17,500 on your Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans and your Subsidized and Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans

*Minimum gpa, appropriate major, and other factors may be required for eligibility*

# What skills do great teachers have?





# US Department of Education features WPUNJ graduate: **Raquel Lima**



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWRmsr4D\\_yc&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWRmsr4D_yc&feature=youtu.be)

# Teachers...

- learn about their students and students' needs
- establish a setting/culture for learning
- engage students in inquiry-based, meaningful learning
- facilitate instruction to expand learning
- assess and measure student learning and plan accordingly
- reflect on teaching and analyze effectiveness
- continually learn, grow and improve
- work collaboratively with others
- model appropriate behaviors, attitudes and skills
- Learn about these and more in the WP education major!

**Our alumni are celebrated for these qualities!**

# Our Successful Graduates

I just wanted to say "Thank you"

for having such an amazing education program at William Paterson University.

After teaching for four years, and meeting teachers who went to all different colleges, **I can honestly say that the education program at William Paterson prepared me much more than any teacher I have met. It is because of the professors and program that I have become the teacher I am today.**

Thank you,

Jaime Dedousis '13



# Get Involved!

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Students and staff in WP's College of Education apply their skills by volunteering with Special Olympics New Jersey's 'Young Athlete Day'

#DoGoodWP





# Get involved: P-12 Partners

- Field Experiences begin with the very first education course.
- College's Professional Development School Network has official partnerships with NJ P-12 schools.
- Faculty are resources, serving as “Professors In Residence” in partner schools several times per week.
- WP Student Teachers are in demand!
- Opt to be placed in a partner school!



# Get Involved!

**Education Club (Student NJEA Chapter)** Dr. Susan Mankiw  
[mankiws@wpunj.edu](mailto:mankiws@wpunj.edu)

Volunteer and Obtain Professional Development!



# Get Involved: Research and Advocacy

Collaborate with faculty on research and advocacy for the education field.



# Learn more

## **Teacher Education: PreK-12**

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## **Special Education**

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